(d) ITDC is providing the following Accommodation and transport facilities in the State of Orissa:—

Name of the Unit	Capacity
Hotel Kalinga Ashok, Bhubaneshwar (2 star)	35 rooms 70 beds
Travellers lodge at Konark	4 rooms 14 beds

Ashok Travels & Tours Counter at Bhubaneshwar is providing transport facilities to the tourists through Orissa Tourism Development Corporation and other private entrepreneurs.

(e) and (f) The coastline between Puri and Konark has been identified as one of the major beach destinations for comprehensive development during the Seventh Five Year Plan.

The Government has relaxed the ban relating to civil works along the sea-shore. Instead of the earlier restriction of 500 meters, civil works would now be allowed beyond 200 meters from the high tide line subject to certain safeguards.

Following schemes have already been sanctioned for Puri-Konark area:

(1) Toilet block near Sun Temple at Konark

(2) Yatrika at Puri

(3) Yatri Niwas at Konark

Rubber depots of STC in the country

208. SHRI MOSTAFA BIN QUASEM:

SHRI K. MOHANAN:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) what is the number of imported natural rubber depots of the State Trading Corporation in the Country and where they are located;

(b) what are the criteria for locating such depots;

(c) what are the reasons for not opening such depots in the Eastern region where the rubber industry is concentrated;

(d) whether, in the absence of such depots in the Eastern region, Government have any plan to give some incentives to the rubber industry of the region so as to make its products competitive; and

(e) if so, what are the details thereof and if not, what are the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF COMMERCE AND FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES (SHRI P. SHIV SHANKER): (a) to (e) Rubber consumption in India in 1984-85 was of the order of 2,17,00 tonnes. The rubber industry is spread all over the country, although the Northen Zone accounts for around 40 per cent consumption. The private sector plays the major role in rubber distribution. STC handles less than 15 per cent of the rubber consummed. This quantity is imported to meet the gap between supply and demand. It maintains a depot in Madras for handling the imports. In addition there are two depots at Delhi and Faridabad. STC does not consider the opening of additinal depots a viable proposition. Since the rubber industry is well distributed, no specific incentives regarding location of such industries other than those covered by the Industrial Policy are considered necessary.

Credit-deposit ratio of banks operating in Kerala

209. SHRI M.M. JACOB: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) what is the number of branches of nationalised banks operating in Kerala at present and

(b) what is the credit-deposit ratio of these branches bankwise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI JANARDHAN POOJARI): (a) The total number of branches of 20 Nationalised